The Villager

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DUPONT NEWSPAPER HAS NEW NAME

The staff of the newly named Villager congratulates Mrs Zelma Trimble and Mrs Janice McCulloch, co-winners of the "Name Your Newspaper Contest" sponsored by the DuPont Garden Club. It is with pride that we publish this initial edition under the Mast Head of The Villager.

The selection of the final name was tinged with all the excitement and anticipation of a National Election as members of the DuPont Garden Club cast their ballots. In the month old contest which was conducted, not only the residents of DuPont submitted names, but one was received from as far away as Viet Nam. (See story on Page 4.)

Mrs May G. Munyan, Editor of the Villager, spoke briefly on the aims of the newspaper, and distributed to the members a primary ballot containing forty - seven names which had been submitted in the contest. The members, on the third and final ballot, selected The Villager.

Mrs Munyan, who abstained from voting, opened the sealed envelope containing the contest coupons, and disclosed that Mrs Trimble and Mrs McCulloch had submitted the identical name of The Villager. A vote of the Garden Club membership decided to split the award of $5.00 between the joint winners.

Mrs Trimble resides at 303 Brandywine, and Mrs McCulloch resides at 708 DuPont. Both ladies, upon being presented with their awards, expressed surprise and pleasure in having their entries adjudged the winning name. When asked why they submitted the name of The Villager both of them said that they had always considered DuPont as a village, and the name seemed to be a Natural.

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NEW PUBLICATION DATE.

Pressure of conflicting dates has caused us to decide to change our date of publication to the second and fourth Fridays. So there will be a lapse of three weeks between this and our next issue. Please bear with our Staff, for we are feeling our way as Editors. Soon we will do better.

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WEDDING BELLS

Edmund Leonard Voelker of Tacoma, and Christel Konopka of Karlsruhe, Germany, were married recently in Germany, where he is serving with the Army, as well as teaching English in a School of Languages. His father, Leonard Voelker, will be remembered by many of the older residents, for he spent several years in DuPont as a boy when his father, A. C. Voelker was superintendent of the DuPont School.

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TEACHER ENTERTAINS

Mrs Irene Kaufman, Music Teacher at the DuPont School, captivated the audience at the Kiwanis Ladies Night Valentine Party at the Sherwood Inn, Feb 9th, with her beautiful voice. She sang a group of old favorite songs that brought back memories of days long gone. She was accompanied by William Smith, and their thrilling performance prompted many to say that they will attend "The Sound of Music" to be presented at the new Theatre located adjacent to the Administration Building.

Opening date to be announced later.

RECUPERATING

Mrs Belle Roberts is walking again after her injury last October 10th, and has hopes of being back in her home in DuPont this coming month. She has been in Tacoma with her daughter, Mrs Dennis Roley, for the past four months. It will be nice to have her home again.

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TO BE WED.

Mr and Mrs Thomas Deyton, Proprietors of the DuPont Cleaners, announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Lee Deyton, to Mark Erlander, son of Mr and Mrs E. V. Erlander of California. Karen is teaching first grade at Franklin Pierce, and Mark is majoring in Art at P.L.U. The wedding will take place in Christ Lutheran Church in Lakewood next June.

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FROM OUR SERVICEMEN

Spc 4 Frank H. Gillespie spent a few days of his furlough with his parents, Mr and Mrs John Gillespie, 402 Barksdale. He returned to his base at Fort Riley, Kansas on the 8th.

SCOOP

Word has been received that wedding bells will ring during the summer for Sandy Ogren former Organist at the Presbyterian Church of DuPont. Further details of the wedding plans will appear in a later issue.

SCHOOL DOINGS

Noon Duty Assistant Program

The DuPont-Fort Lewis Elementary Schools are providing elementary teachers with a half hour of duty-free time at mid-day. This is in accordance with the new law passed by our Legislature last session.

Mrs Patricia White and Mrs Eloise Brewer of DuPont are part time assistants in the lunch program at Clarkmoor Elementary School. They also supervise the noon recess of the Primary and intermediate students. Needless to say, this program is appreciated by the teachers and has been called " one of the nicest things that has happened to teachers since the discovery of the apple".

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Theatre Work Party Scheduled

Saturday, Feb 19th, there will be a work party in the theatre for all intercsted persons. Paint should start dripping and smashed thumbs will appear shortly after 9 A. M. Much work needs to be done in anticipation of the Grand Opening on Thursday, March 10. If you can paint, pound nails, or scrub upholstery, we would be happy to work with you. Bring a sack lunch and some one will supply the coffee and dessert.

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To Elect Representatives.

The Laughbon High School Debate Team, of which Richard Andre of DuPont, is a member, will travel to Curtis High School, Mar 1st for the final debate of the season. They are in third place in point standings at the present time. This debate will determine which team goes to the State Meet in Pullman in May.

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NOTICE

No school Tuesday February 22.

Coming Events

Basket Ball (6;30 P.M.)

Feb 18 Curtis @ L H S No. Fort Lewis Gym
Feb 21 L H S @ Sumner Sumner Gym
Feb 25 L H S @ Foster Foster Gym

Gymnastics (2.00 P.M.)

Feb 26, Centralia, Chehalis,
West Bremerton @ L H S DuPont Gym

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European Visitor

Mr and Mrs Earl Hale of 505 Barksdale Avenue have as their house guest, Mrs Hale's mother, who arrived from Austria, Feb 17th.

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The Pastor Ponders —

Next week Christians of many communions will begin an observance called Lent. The forty day period (excluding Sundays) begins with Ash Wednesday, 23 February, and ends with Easter.

Many people believe they must give up something they like (running the gambit from T-Bone steak to chewing gum) during Lent. The intention is to stop pleasing one's self so that more time and energy may be devoted to pleasing God. It is also a time of renewing the commitment to God pledged at Baptism of Confirmation.

What would happen if we took Lent seriously? Really? We could see the rites and rituals for what they are; pointers to truth! They could become like a compass, directing us to a "corrected" understanding of God, and an appreciation of the magnificence of His love for us in Jesus Christ. Most of all we could know that our sins have been forgiven in what Christ did on Calvary. St Peter wrote that He "bore our sins in His Body on the tree."

In the last analysis, however, the question is not "what", or "How much" we know. It is, rather, "What will I do with what I know."

How will you observe Lent?

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The Women's Association will meet March 2nd for a dessert luncheon at 12:30 at the Church. The program will cover "Viet Nam and the Church". A book review of "The Bamboo Cross" will be supplemented by material furnished by Chaplain Lloud R. Muilenburg who is now in Viet Nam. This promises to be a very intercsting and informative meeting.

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer will be observed at the Oberlin Congregational Church in Steilacoom on Friday, February 25 at 10 A M The speaker; Rev Elmer Church, from Tacoma. Topic; You Are My Witness. Music by the Clover Park Choir.

A coffee hour will follow. A Nursery will be provided.

SCOUT TROOP SPONSORED

Girl Scout Troop 253 has again been sponsored by the Garden Club. Nancy Smith continues as Leader, for the second year. Martha Haley will serve as Assistant Leader and the Committee Members will be Carol Foreman, Moni Jo Ross, and Ruth Jafrati.

Girl Scout week will be celebrated from March 6th through 12th. On Sunday March 6 the girls will attend services at the DuPont Presbyterian Church, as a Troop.
March 12th through the 26th marks the date of the annual Cookie Sale. Martha Haley is cookie sale chairman.

Police Blotter
By Ken Karnes

In an effort to better serve the DuPont Community, Ken Karnes, your town Marshal, is currently engaged in a five week, ten hour a day, Police Training Course at the F B I School, North Fort Lewis. There are thirty-five other Police Officers and Deputy Sheriffs from Okanagan, Walla Walla, Camas and Grays Harbor taking this course.

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Jesse Shaver has proven he is a good neighbor and a citizen who thinks of others. When his dogs got into a little trouble, Jesse voluntarily took them to the Humane Society, hoping they will find homes out of town, where they can run free, and not cause problems.

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Some one drove across one of the lawns in town breaking some new hedge plants. That sort of an act can result in 90 days in jail, and a fine of $250.

The same penalty could be given to the one who broke the traffic signal light near Lonnie's Service Station.

Let's <u>think</u> before we <u>act</u>.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

If the amount of noise emanating from Town Hall Tuesday indicated how successful the Garden Club's 10th Birthday was, it can be termed a big success. A large decorated cake was the center of attraction, and the exchange of kitchen equipment gifts marked the main event of the day. The serious portion of the meeting was the selection of a winning name for the "Name Your Newspaper " contest.

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Wins Ribbons In Meet

Peter Nagy, 10 year old son of Mr and Mrs Nagy, of 610 DuPont Avenue brought home two fourth place ribbons won at the A.A.U. swimming event held at Wilson High School, on Feb 5th to add to his many other swimming awards. Peter is in the fifth grade at Clarkmoor School and has been swimming in competition for several years. Both Mr and Mrs Nagy are former lifeguards, and introduced young Peter to swimming at the early age of 11 months. Mrs Nagy states that a young baby placed in water will instinctively do a "dog-paddle" and has no fear of water. Most parents do not start their children with swimming instruction early enough. The best time is while they are still babies, and the family bathtub will do. Peter's awards were won in the free style and breast stroke events.

Chit Chat Column

The Red Carpet is always out for the customers of the Du ont Cafe to make their dining a pleasure. "Red" Knowles, the owner, greets all of his customers with a bright smile, and a cheery "Hello". If you haven't seen Red's Red Carpet or tasted some of his delicious food, make it a point to visit his cafe soon. Stop in for a good cup of coffee, or a delicious luncheon.

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George Peterson returned recently from a ten day trip to Colorado. He came home by jet, and as he says; "It's the <u>Only</u> way to fly."

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Sad but true, our ex-southerner, (down South Chehalis way) has lost her entire cotton crop. It wasn't that old devil the Boll Weevil who wiped her out. Seems she dropped her cotton "field" as she carried it from one roo; to another to take advantage of the afternoon sun.

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Some one heard some digging one dark rainy night, at 700 Louviers Ave. No light-only sounds of earth being moved. Was it a prospective Garden Club Member trying to disguise her talents?

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Keep on going, and the chances are that you will stumble on something, perhaps when you are least expecting it. I have never heard of anyone stumbling on something sitting down.

Charles Kettering.

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HATS OFF

The Staff of The Villager wishes to take this opportunity to publicly thank Pastor Dawn for his assistance and time so graciously given. Without his patience and "know how" we doubt if we would have published our little paper. He does the mimeographing for us. Thanks from all of us. This truly has been a community project, for the girl scouts do the delivering. Many hands etc.

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Of all the stories ever invented about any one man perhaps the story of the Cherry Tree is the best known. For many years we believed it to be true, but now Historians tell us it was invented by Reverend Mason Locke Weems. Here is a striking example of how a story, if it catches the inspiration, can endure in the face of lack of evidence. Fortunately, this story was a complimentary one, and no harm has been done in the telling of it. However, had it been the other way around, it still would have clung, and would have affected his "image". There is an old proverb that says; "What you don't know won't hurt you". Better it would be "What you don't say won't hurt you". It is what we say that causes the trouble.

Many stories and legends are told about Washington, but all point to his love of Country, his Patriotism, his kindness and compassion. But his greatest power lay in his character. The tributes paid to him are greater than those of any other American. Webster said of him; "America has furnished to the world the character of Washington; if our American Institutions had done nothing else, that alone would have entitled them to the respect of mankind." Lafayette said; "Never have I beheld so superb a man".

Yes, one - the first, the last, the best,
The Cincinnatus of the West,
Whom envy dared not hate -
Bequeathed the name of Washington,
To make men blush there was but one.

Washington's Prayer for America

Almight God, we make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy Holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; and to entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow-citizens of the United States at large; and finally, that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion and, without a humble imitation of Whose example in these things, we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplication, we beseech Thee, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

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Speaking of Washington's Birthday;- Don't forget to display your Flag on the 22nd !!

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One of our Newspapers traveled all the way to Viet Nam, and a name was submitted by Sgt C. L. Logan with the 1st Eng Bn. He is a friend of Mr and Mrs R. C. Jensen. The name was "The Good Earth". The letter says; "That's some newspaper you have. You know if I don't win this contest I'll just have to drown my sorrows by singing, and . that would keep the V. C.s awake at night, and you would not want that to happen."

Town Clerk in Accident

Mr Jack Heuertz, our town clerk, was hit by a car while crossing the street to get a newspaper, in LaHoya, California. His condition is quite serious, as his injuries include a broken leg, and head injuries. He was still unconscious Thursday afternoon.

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Renovating Town Hall.

Town Hall is taking on a new look. The interior is all paneled and painted. A new electric water heater has been installed in the kitchen, and more renovation is planned for the near future.

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It's always sad to hear a friend bemoan his "lack of time" to read a book, or start a new hobby, or do anything else he really enjoys. For if life offers no time for these simple pleasures, why else are we working so hard?

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Hit by Car.

Mr Michael Smeeney of 6537 Ave S. W. Seattle, was hit by a car recently, and has his right leg in a cast. Mrs Smeeney is the former Virginia Krepky.

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The U P S - Tacoma Symphony played to a "Standing Room Only" crowd last Tuesday evening. Eugene List the Guest Artist, held the audience spell-bound. This Symphony actually brings the world's best music to our town, (Tacoma) and we should support it by our attendance. It's free too, supported entirely by contributions.

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Classified Ads.

Found; A Charm Bracelet Identify

Found; A Blue and Gray Sweater. Size 16

These articles may be claimed at the Lost and Found at Munyan's. Ju 4-1973

Found; Boy's Bike 24" German make.
Found; 26" Light Weight American Bike
Call Marshal Karnes Ju 4-3468

For Sale;-
1965 Ford Custom 4 dr $1695
Richard M. Harbaugh Wa 2 7785

1954 Chevrolet Pick Up
Myron Smith Ju 4-0663

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Real intelligence is like a river - the deeper it is, the less noise it makes.

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